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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS: PERMANENT
COURT OF ARBITRATION

REF: THE HAGUE A-74 APRIL 16, 1973

1. ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL OF PERMANENT COURT OF
ARBITRATION WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL MEETING APRIL 29, 1975.
THE AMBASSADOR HAS BEEN ASKED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING:

- (A) THE AGENDA OF THE MEETING
- (B) THE STATEMENT OF EXPENSES OVER THE YEAR 1974
- (C) THE BUDGET FOR 1975
- (D) THE REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL OVER
THE YEAR 1974
- (E) NOMINATION OF ERNST VAN DER BEUGEL AS A
MEMBER OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CARNEGIE
FOUNDATION REPLACING D.G. DE GRAEFF WHO IS RETIRING.

2. DUE LATE SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS FROM PERMANENT
COURT WHICH PREVENTED EMBASSY FROM TRANSMITTING THEM
TO DEPARTMENT IN TIME TO BE CONSIDERED, EMBASSY
REQUESTS TELEGRAPHIC AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE ITEMS
IN PARA 1. THE 1974 BUDGET WAS FOR 176,536.50
GUILDERS. THE 1975 BUDGET CALLS FOR EXPENDITURE OF
188,246.10 GUILDERS.

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3. THE DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THAT AT ITS 1972 SESSION THE ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL VOTED TO EXCISE THE NAMES OF THE ROC ARBITRATORS. THE UNITED STATES HAS ENTERED A RESERVATION OF DISSENT ON THIS PROCEDURE EACH YEAR SINCE THEN. THE 1975 DRAFT REPORT CONTAINS ON PAGE 11 THE IDENTICAL NOTE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL REGARDING THE DELETION OF THE NAMES OF THE ROC ARBITRATORS AS APPROVED IN 1974 AND PREVIOUS YEARS.

4. SYG VAN BOETZELAER INFORMED EMBASSY APRIL 22 THAT MFA STATE SECRETARY KOOIJMANS WHO WILL CHAIR ANNUAL MEETING WILL PROPOSE THAT NOTE ON ROC ARBITRATORS BE DELETED. SYG SAID THAT PRC HAS NEVER SHOWN INTEREST IN ASSOCIATING ITSELF WITH PERMANENT COURT, AND THAT PROPOSAL TO DELETE NOTE FROM REPORT IS BEING MADE IN HOPE THAT THEY WILL BEGIN TO PARTICIPATE. SIMILAR PROPOSAL WAS MADE BY FRENCH AMBASSADOR DURING 1973 ADMIN. COUNCIL MEETING AND WAS SUPPORTED BY UK AMBASSADOR, (REFAIR). U.S. AND USSR AMBASSADORS OPPOSED MOVE, AND WHEN NO CONSENSUS FOR PROPOSAL WAS REACHED, CHAIRMAN MOVED ON TO NEXT ITEM ON AGENDA.

5. EMBASSY REQUESTS INSTRUCTIONS FOR AMBASSADOR'S PARTICIPATION IN MEETING. IN ABSENCE OF INSTRUCTIONS HE OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE WILL OPPOSE PROPOSAL TO DELETE SYG'S NOTE AND ENTER RESERVATION ON DELETION OF NAMES OF ROC ARBITRATORS AS IN PAST YEARS.
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